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Subpart A—General

§11.1 Applicability.

This part applies to the issue, amendment, and repeal of—

- (a) Rules and orders for airspace assignment and use issued under section 307(a) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1348(a)); and
- (b) Other substantive rules, including those applicable to a class of persons, and those addressed to and served on named persons whenever the Administrator decides to use public rulemaking procedures in such a case.

§11.11 Docket.

Official FAA records relating to rulemaking actions, including: (a) Proposals, (b) notices of proposed rulemaking, (c) written material received in response to notices, (d) petitions for rulemaking and exemptions, (e) written material received in response to summaries of petitions for rulemaking and exemptions, (f) petitions for rehearing or reconsideration, (g) petitions for modification or revocation, (h) notices denying petitions for rulemaking, (i) notices granting or denying exemptions, (j) summaries required to be published under §11.27, (k) special conditions required, as prescribed under §21.16 or §21.101(b)(2), (l) written material received in response to published special conditions, (m) reports of proceedings conducted under §11.47 (n) notices denying proposals, and (o) final rules or orders are maintained in current docket form in the Office of the Chief Counsel. A public docket relating to rulemaking actions taken by each Regional Administrator on petitions for exemption filed under Part 139 of this chapter is maintained in the Regional Counsel's Office for that region. Unless a request for comment indicates otherwise, a public docket relating to rulemaking actions taken by Regional Administrators under Subparts D and E of this part is maintained in the Regional Counsel's Office. Any interested person may examine any docketed material at that office, at any time after the docket is established, except material that is ordered withheld from the public under section 1104 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1504), and may obtain a photostatic or duplicate copy of it upon paying the cost of the copy.

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§11.13 Delegation of authority.

All agency officials, with regulatory issuance authority, may exercise the authority of the Administrator to make certifications, findings and determinations under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96–354) with regard to any rulemaking document for which issuance authority is delegated by other sections in this part.

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§11.15 Emergency exemptions.

If, as a result of enemy attack on the United States, communication with Washington headquarters of FAA is or may be disrupted or materially impaired, petitions for exemptions from

any rule issued under Titles III or VI of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (air safety rules and air traffic and airspace rules) may also be filed at the nearest FAA Regional Office, air traffic control facility or office, Flight Standards District Office, Aircraft Certification Directorate, Aircraft Certification Office, International Field Office or FAA Representative in the Europe, Africa, and Middle East Region, or in the Pacific Region. The procedural requirements of §§ 11.53, 11.71, and 11.91, and the publication and comment procedures of §11.27 need not be followed. Under these emergency conditions, the FAA inspectors or officers in charge of these offices may grant, in whole or in part and subject to reasonable conditions or limitations, such exemptions or may deny petitions for such exemptions; may issue such exemptions to named persons or in blanket form on their own initiative; and may limit or terminate exemptions so issued by them or by offices whose jurisdiction they may have assumed. Exemptions issued under these circumstances are at all times subject to modification and termination by the Regional Administrator or Acting Regional Administrator or officer in charge of the Region concerned, subject to ultimate action by the Director or Acting Director of the Service concerned.

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§11.17 Direct final rule.

Whenever the FAA anticipates that a proposed regulation is unlikely to result in adverse comment, it may choose to issue a direct final rule. The direct final rule will advise the public that no adverse or negative comments are anticipated, and that unless a written adverse or negative comment, or a written notice of intent to submit an adverse or negative comment is received within the comment period, the regulation will become effective on the date specified in the direct final rule. If no written adverse or negative comment, or notice of intent to submit such a comment is received within the